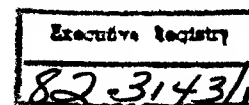


THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505



24 May 1982

National Intelligence Council

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
FROM : Chairman, National Intelligence Council
SUBJECT : Your Current Interest in Central America

1. I propose that we proceed as follows: In response to your request, DDI specialists are preparing a fresh analysis of the situation in Honduras and of Central American regional negotiating strategies. This will be a quick assessment (to you by Thursday afternoon) of the major strengths and vulnerabilities of the Suazo government, and of how Honduras might be affected by regional negotiations.

2. I recommend that we also proceed with the SNIE, "Short Term Prospects for Central America," the terms of reference of which you have seen. We will have a draft ready for coordination with NFIB representatives on 8 June, with the intention of issuing the estimate by 11 June. [redacted] of my staff, will be the principal drafter, relying on important contributions from the DDI.

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